SENATE BILL 205

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to students.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3402(i), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

(i)

- (1) Alternative schools and alternative programs may provide remote instruction to students attending the school or program. A student who receives remote instruction through an alternative school or alternative program must be recorded as present for attendance purposes in the same manner as students attending regular classes.
- (2) The state board of education shall promulgate rules to establish guidelines for tracking daily student attendance and compliance with state school attendance and truancy intervention laws for alternative schools and alternative programs providing remote instruction.
- (3) An alternative school or alternative program that provides remote instruction pursuant to subdivision (i)(1) shall comply with all state and federal laws, rules, and policies.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.